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September 11, 2013

Mr. Jeff DeRouen, Executive Director
Kentucky Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Gearheart Communications, Inc.
d/b/a Coalfields Telephone Company
Affidavit Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314 Requirements

Please find enclosed our annual affidavit in supporting the Commission's Annual Certification filing pursuant to 54.314 with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administration (USAC) that Gearheart Communications, Inc. d/b/a/ Coalfields Telephone Company is eligible to receive high-cost support in accordance with 47 USC § 254(e).

Should you have any questions regarding our filing, please contact James Campbell at 606-479-6254 or jcamp@mis.net or myself at 606-479-6242 or schmoldt@mis.net.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John C. Schmoldt", is written over the typed name.

John Schmoldt
Director of Operations

Enclosures

AFFIDAVIT

Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF FLOYD

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Paul D. Gearheart, of Gearheart Communications, Inc. d/b/a/ Coalfields Telephone Company, (the Company”), who on his oath deposed and said:

1. My name is Paul D. Gearheart. I am employed by Coalfields Telephone Company in the position of Vice President. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by the Company and how the Company uses these funds.
2. Coalfields Telephone Company was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission in Administrative Case No. 360 by Order dated November 26, 1997. Coalfields Telephone Company provides service in study area code 260408.
3. Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, Coalfields Telephone Company hereby certifies all federal high-cost support provided to the Company was used in the preceding calendar year (2012) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2014) only for the provisions, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as designated by the Federal Communications Commission consistent with Section 254€ of the Federal Telecommunications Act. These funds will be used to provide the following supported services, as outlined in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101(a), which are available to any customer in the Company’s service area: voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; minutes of use for local service provided at no additional charge to end users; access to emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organizations, such as 911 and enhanced 911, to the extent the local government in an eligible carrier’s service area has implemented 911 or enhanced 911 systems; and toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.

4. Coalfields Telephone Company follows Federal Communications Commission Part 32 accounting requirements for regulated local exchange carriers and Part 36 separations provisions used to determine high cost support amounts.
5. While continuing to receive Federal Universal Service support as described and using this support for the purposes as described, Coalfields Telephone Company does not anticipate withdrawing any services; therefore, the comparability of service between the rural areas served by Coalfields Telephone Company and the urban areas of Kentucky will not be changed because of any action on the part of Coalfields Telephone Company.
6. The matters addressed above are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.



Paul D. Gearheart

Sworn and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 11th day of September, 2013.



Nell Davis Tackett
Notary Public, State of Kentucky

My Commission expires 11-25-16

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